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| Applicants: | Gregory S. Herman et al. | § | Confirmation No.: | 5837 |
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| For: | Method And System For | § | Docket No.: | 200209441-1 |
| | Collection Of Hydrogen | § | | |
| | From Anode Effluents | § | | |

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of August 24, 2006, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and corresponding Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.